BOUND PRINTED MATTER TRANSPORTATION COST MODEL AND BULK PARCEL RETURN SERVICE COST MODEL

I. PREFACE

A. Purpose and Content

USPS-FY19-16 documents the Bound Printed Matter transportation cost estimates and the Bulk Parcel Return Service cost estimates.

B. Predecessor Document

The predecessor document for Bound Printed Matter was presented in Docket No. ACR2018, USPS-FY18-16.

The predecessor document for Bulk Parcel Return Service was presented in Docket No. ACR2018, USPS-FY18-16.

C. Corresponding Non-Public or Public Document

There is no non-public document that corresponds to USPS-FY19-16.

D. Methodology

The Bound Printed Matter transportation cost model relies on the same methodology presented in Docket No. ACR2018, USPS-FY18-16. The Bulk Parcel Return Service cost model also relies on the same methodology presented in Docket No. ACR2018, USPS-FY18-16.

E. Inputs / Outputs

The Bound Printed Matter transportation cost estimates are calculated using the following inputs:

Input Source	Input Description
USPS-FY19-1	Bound Printed Matter pounds
USPS-FY19-24	Cost Segment 8 piggyback factor
USPS-FY19-32	Cost Segment 8 and 14 data Zone related percentages
USPS-FY19-36	Bound Printed Matter mail piece density

Percent of Intra-SCF highway and POV costs Docket No. R2000-1, USPS-T-26, Attachment N avoided by DDU parcels

Docket No. R2000-1, Average zone hauled USPS-T-27, Attachment K

Docket No. R2000-1, Entry profile data

USPS-LR-I-109 Zone distribution percentages

The Bound Printed Matter transportation cost estimates are relied upon to develop the discounts and passthrough values contained in USPS-FY19-3.

The Bulk Parcel Return Service cost estimates are calculated using the following inputs:

Input Source	Input Description
USPS-FY19-7	Volume variability factors Premium pay factors Wage rates
USPS-FY19-13	Transportation cost per pound estimates
USPS-FY19-15	Media Mail – Library Mail cost model results
USPS-FY19-23	MODS productivity data
USPS-FY19-25	Operations specific piggyback factors
USPS-FY08-15	Parcel processing assumptions
Docket No. R2001-1, USPS-LR-J-64	Parcel processing assumptions BPRS mailer data
Docket No. R2000-1, USPS-T-11	Base year CRA data
Docket No. R2000-1, USPS-T-21, Attachment 13	Base year piggyback factors
Docket No. R2000-1, USPS-T-26	1998 BPRS cubic feet per piece Transportation percentages
Docket No. R2000-1, USPS-LR-I-11	Base year wage rates

Docket No. R97-1, Arrival profile

USPS-LR-H-131

Docket No. R97-1, Productivity data USPS-LR-H-132 Dispatch profile

Docket No. R97-1, Container dimension data

USPS-LR-H-133

Docket No. R84-1, Pieces per container data

Exhibit USPS-T-14I

1982 CRA 1982 Special Standard cubic feet per piece

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II. ORGANIZATION

The Bound Printed Matter aggregate, flats, and parcels transportation cost estimates are presented in the workbook 'USPS-FY19-16.BPM.xlsx' in the 'Cost-Sum' worksheets on pages 1, 8 and 15, respectively. Data sources are referenced in each worksheet throughout the workbook. The results are also reported in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Bound Printed Matter Transportation Cost Estimates

Cost Element	Total Cost Per	Flats Cost Per	Parcels Cost Per
Cost Element	Pound	Pound	Pound
DNDC			
Zone 1 and 2	\$0.0239	\$0.0263	\$0.0222
Zone 3	\$0.0420	\$0.0420	\$0.0420
Zone 4	\$0.0559	\$0.0542	\$0.0572
Zone 5	\$0.1078	\$0.0994	\$0.1138
DSCF	\$0.0172	\$0.0204	\$0.0149
DDU	\$0.0028	\$0.0034	\$0.0024
Non-Dropship			
Zone 1 and 2	\$0.0573	\$0.0617	\$0.0542
Zone 3	\$0.0617	\$0.0658	\$0.0588
Zone 4	\$0.0671	\$0.0708	\$0.0645
Zone 5	\$0.0759	\$0.0790	\$0.0737
Zone 6	\$0.0850	\$0.0875	\$0.0832
Zone 7	\$0.0953	\$0.0972	\$0.0940
Zone 8	\$0.1156	\$0.1161	\$0.1152

The Bulk Parcel Return Service cost estimates are presented in the Microsoft Excel workbook 'USPS-FY19-16.BPRS.xlsx' in the 'Cost-Sum' worksheet on page 1. Data sources are referenced in each worksheet throughout the workbook. The results are also reported in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Bulk Parcel Return Service Cost Estimates

Task	Unit Costs
Collection	\$0.045
Mail Processing	\$2.037
Transportation	\$0.723
Delivery	\$0.079
Postage Due	\$0.070
Total Cost	\$2.954